Chatham Township Environmental Commission 58 Meyersville Rd, Chatham, NJ 07928, 973-635-4600

Minutes of the October 17, 2006 CTEC Meeting

The meeting of the Chatham Township Environmental Commission convened at 7:45 p.m. on Tuesday, October 17, 2006 at the Township Municipal Building. In attendance were CTEC members K. Abbott, L. Caprioglio, S. Hoag, P. Payton, D. Stillinger, L. Tavtigian.

CTEC's Purpose (NJ40:56A, 1968): to undertake projects and make recommendations concerning the protection or use of natural resources, including water resources, located within or directly affecting Chatham Township.

Open Public Meetings Act Statement – The meeting schedule for 2006 was published in the Chatham Courier and Daily Record newspapers and posted on the main bulletin board at the Township municipal building. The public is cordially invited to attend all meetings and participate in projects.

Minutes

Mr. Payton moved to accept the minutes from September 11, 2006 and Ms. Abbott seconded, Mr. Caprioglio abstained, with all in favor.

Events

Ten Towns Committee sponsoring Wetlands Evaluation training with Jack Donohue on Oct. 21. S. Hoag to attend and possibly arrange with Jack Donohue for training in Chatham. Open

ANJEC's Annual Environmental Congress Oct 28 - D. Stillinger to attend.

ANJEC's Environmental Leadership course Nov. 10 &11. Dukes Farm Hillsborough.

Discussion

Rolling Knolls - commission discussed requesting signage and fencing concerning brook access and surrounding areas regarding dumping and safety issues. Also requesting clean up remediation. Commission members agreed that EPA should finish assessment and cleanup before commission can make comments. Open

Environmental Justice video - K. Abbott to obtain. Keep on agenda.

Application Review

Molino - Susan Dr. - requesting variance approval. Open

Richard & Pamela Thoennessen - 155 Meyersville Rd - development application for minor subdivision from one lot into two lots. Kathy Abbott to draft and send letter referencing concerns for steep slopes, landscape plan and water runoff. S. Hoag moved to accept letter Paul Payton 2nd with all in favor. Closed

Dudley - 130 Meyersville Rd - minor subdivision. Sue Hoag trying to gain access to property in order to review and draft memo. Open

Subway Sandwich Shop - Paul Payton reviewed. No environmental issues. Closed

New Applications

Caplan - Rolling Hill at Candace - previously approved - needs additional variance approval for manmade steep slope issues - reexamine plans. S. Hoag and D. Stillinger to review. Open

Verizon Wireless - River Rd - variance issues - D. Stillinger to review. Open

St. Hubert's - Revised plans - variance issues. Application to be heard to 10/19/06. D. Stillinger to review. Open

Reports

Planning Board report - L. Caprioglio - board re-examining master plan, discussing of open space, storm water, circulation issues, and residents' input on bicycle plan.

Open Space report - Township Committee wants Open Space committee to work with Planner Frank Banisch in moving Greenway forward.

Township Committee - N. Hagner - absent - no report.

Geese control at Heritage Green Condos - commission discussed several issues regarding material used and safety data sheet along with other measures that can be used. K. Abbott to draft a letter regarding concerns. Keep on agenda. Open

GIS Landscaping project - S. Hoag attended. Commission possibly to review GIS mapping at November's meeting. Researching to include NJ DEP Imap - endangered species listing.

Environmental Commission approval of a subcommittee presentation to Mayor O'Connor at the November 9 township committee meeting - endorsing the US Mayors Climate Protection Agreement. Ms. Hoag moved to accept and Mr. Caprioglio 2nd with all in favor.

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US Mayors Climate Protection Agreement, Feb. 13, 2006.

Minutes of Long Hill Twp. EC.

Minutes of Chatham Borough EC. Borough EC will put a link on their web site to Township web site's list of organic landscapers.

Various newsletters, event announcements, and flyers.

CTEC meeting adjourned at 10 PM.

Minutes prepared by Carolyn Scannelli